Mr. N. Narayana Kurup: May I know from the honourable member whether he is aware that the Calcutta Medical Department has recommended 20 oz. of milk for daily consumption for an average man?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai: I am not aware.

Fish Hatchery.

40. ***Mr. A. Gabriel Nadar** (*Kalkulam and Vilavancode* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) whether they have established any fish hatchery for supplying fish fry to the public for stocking and growing fresh water fishes in the inland ponds and tanks and if not whether they have any scheme before them under consideration for establishing fish hatcheries;

(*b*) whether steps have been taken for establishing more fishcuring yards in the coastal villages and supplying them with equipment for preparing smoked fish; and

(*c*) whether the proposals of Dr. Prasad, the Adviser for the Government of India for Fisheries, for improving fisheries have been considered by the Government with reference to the possible application of the proposals to the Travancore Fisheries?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) No. A scheme for opening 'depots' (not 'hatcheries') for supplying fish fry for piscicultural operations is under consideration.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

(*c*) The proposals will be duly considered when received.

Shark Fishing.

41. ***Mr. A. Gabriel Nadar**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have introduced a system of Shark fishing through Village Co-operative Organisations?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: No.

Milking cows and buffaloes in the State.

42. ***Mr. N. Narayana Kurup**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that there is scarcity of milk and milking cows and buffaloes in the State for the past many years and that was being remedied by the import of livestock like cows, sheep and buffaloes, into Travancore from outside;

(*b*) whether they are aware that such import is being denied or restricted by Cochin and British India; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, what action has been taken to facilitate such import in the interests of the people of the State?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

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(*c*) The authorities concerned have been moved with a view to the removal of the restriction on export of cattle from British India and as the result of representations made a Joint Board in which Travancore is represented will take up the matter shortly.

Veterinary Hospitals.

43. * **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of Veterinary Hospitals at work at the close of 1119 ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : 17

Manure depots.

44. * **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan** : Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of manure depots opened by the Agricultural Department in 1119 ;

(*b*) the number of depots at work at the close of 1119 ; and

(*c*) the total value of the manure sold in all the depots in 1119 ?

Mr. K. Subramonia Pillai : (*a*) Nil.

(*b*) Departmental manure depots 26.
Agency depots 6.

(*c*) Rs. 1,43,402-12-12.

Last Census Report.

45. * **Mr. K. C. Chandy** (*Thodupuzha* cum *Minachil*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a statement showing the number of adherents to the various Christian denominations was included in the last Census Report ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) be in the affirmative, the reference thereof ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*a*) be in the negative, the reason, if any, of the omission ?

Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Pages 225 to 230 of Part III (State Tables) and pages 189 and 141 of Part I of the Census Report.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

Punja Cultivation.

46. * **Mr. N. Narayana Kurup** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received any representation from the Kuttanad Agricultural Association requesting them to make arrangements for stocking the necessary quantity of oil for punja Cultivation in the State before the 30th of Thulam every year ;

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